



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: M. Dahlbäck *et al.*

Application No.: 09/857,606

Group Art Unit: 1742

Filed: August 2, 2001

Examiner: H. Wilkins, III

For: ZIRCONIUM BASED ALLOY AND COMPONENT IN A NUCLEAR ENERGY
PLANT

AMENDMENT AFTER ALLOWANCE

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In conjunction with the Request for Continued Examination filed concurrently herewith, the Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments and remarks. Kindly amend claims 13, 19, and 27, and add new claims 29-34 as indicated below.